

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to cross reference the parent applications.

In accordance with MPEP §2001.06(b) no copies of the prior art in the parent applications are submitted herewith. The reference cited forms from the parent applications are submitted herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In accordance with MPEP §609, a Form 1449 listing these references is also submitted herewith. Confirmation that the prior art cited in the parent applications has been considered in the next Official Action is most respectfully requested.

In view of the above comments, amendments to the claims and prior art of record, an early action on the merits taking into consideration the prior art cited in the parent applications is now in order and is most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marked-Up Version Showing Changes Made

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 3, 5, 7 and 9 with the following amended claims.

3(Amended). A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1 [or claim 2] in the core of a tablet.

5(Amended). A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1 to 4] claim 1 wherein the film coating comprises a polymer.

7(Amended). A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1 to 6] claim 1 wherein the film coating comprises 2 to 50% w/w based on the weight of the solid dosage form.

9(Amended). A process for the preparing of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1 to 7] claim 1 which comprises applying a film coating to a solid dosage form of the active ingredient by a film coating technique.